

**Amendments to the Abstract:**

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--The present invention concerns inhibition of the activity of PLK1, which seems to be connected with cancer growth. Duplex RNAs, antisense oligonucleotides and inhibitory peptides have been found to be useful in such inhibition, therefore they are claimed as ingredients for pharmaceutical compositions for the treatment of proliferative diseases, preferably cancer of various types.--